

Apache Handlers

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Overview

Apache handlers control how your site's Apache web server software manages certain file types and file extensions. Apache can handle CGI scripts and server-parsed files. The file extensions for these files include `.cgi`, `.pl`, `.plx`, `.ppl`, `.perl`, and `.shtml`.

You can configure Apache to use an existing handler to handle a new file type. To do this, manually add the handler and extension in this interface.

Create an Apache Handler

To add an Apache handler, perform the following steps:

1. Enter the handler name in the *Handler* text box. cPanel includes the following built-in handlers:
 - `default-handler` — Sends the file and uses Apache's default handler for static content.
 - `send-as-is` — Sends the file with HTTP headers intact.
 - `cgi-script` — Handles the file as a CGI script.
 - `imap-file` — Parses the file as an `imagemap` rule file.
 - For more information, read [Apache's documentation](#).
 - `server-info` — Retrieves the server's configuration information.
 - `server-parsed` — Parses the file for server-side includes.
 - `server-status` — Retrieves the server's status report.
 - `type-map` — Parses the file as a type map file.
 - For more information, read [Apache's documentation](#).
2. Enter the file extension in the *Extension(s)* text box.
 - A file extension consists of the letters after the dot (`.`) in a file name (for example, `filename.fileextension`).
 - Space-separate multiple extensions (for example, `.cgi .pl .ppl`).
3. Click *Add*.

Note:
This interface does **not** allow you to create custom Apache handlers.

Remove an Apache Handler

To remove a user-defined handler, perform the following steps:

1. Click *Delete* under the *Remove* heading for the appropriate handler in the *User Defined Apache Handlers* table.
2. Click *Yes*.

Note:
You **cannot** remove the file extensions that Apache automatically handles.

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